

Monthly Status Report – November 2006

Montana's Action Plan for Co-Occurring Disorders

Co-Occurring Policy Team

- Pam Bunke, Administrator Community Corrections, was welcomed to the Policy Team membership.
- Final review and approval of the Montana Co-Occurring Role & Purpose sheet (see attached).
- Draft Co-Occurring Capable Endorsement Guidelines presented for review and comment.
- The next scheduled meeting is March 28, 2007.

Training/Presentations – No new updates

COST (Co-Occurring Strategic Team)

- Final preparation for Change Agent & Policy Team meetings.

Change Agent/Active Work Group Reports

- Media & Communications Work Group –The next meeting is scheduled for 12/08 at 9:00.
- Data Work Group – Committee members' recommended review of COD assessment policy, especially for programs receiving a COD contract from the CD Bureau. The committee will review the data available that will identify cost variations between those who are COD and those who are not, initially within the Medicaid system. The next meeting is 12/12 at 10:00.
- Cultural Competence Workgroup – On 12/28, committee members' reviewed and discussed recommendations for the development of a poster for cultural awareness by early fall. The workgroup will continue with the development of the poster and which includes a poster contest within the regions and tribal entities. The committee assigned Jane Wilson, AMDD Staff, to schedule and notify members of the next work group meeting.
- Core Competencies – The final draft brochure was presented and approved by the Policy Team on November 29th. Upon completion of the recommended changes, the brochure will be printed for distribution.
- Regional Change Agent Representatives attended ADRT to draft a transfer protocol for clients moving to and from facility placements.